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POWER
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POWER EQUIPMENTS
RAM SHAKAL

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether power is being wasted on large scale in the country due to sub-standard quality of the power equipments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to enact any law to penalise the manufacturers of sub-standard power equipments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (d) : A large quantum of power goes waste owing to energy inefficient and sub-standard equipments/appliances. The Government has introduced the Energy Conservation Bill, 2000 in the Lok Sabha to provide for efficient use of energy and its conservation. The Bill, inter alia, will enable Government to :-

(a) Specify norms for process and energy consumption standards for any equipment, appliance which consumes, generates, transmits or supplies energy;

(b) Prohibit manufacture or sale or purchase of specified equipment unless such equipment or appliance conforms to energy consumption standards; and

(c) Direct display of such particulars on label on equipment or appliance specified.

The Bill also provides that if any manufacturer fails to comply with the provisions of the above clauses, he shall be liable to a penalty in monetary terms which shall not exceed Rs.1.0 lakh for each failure and in the case of continuing failure with an additional penalty which may extend Rs.10,000/- for every day during which such failure continues.